Kyle Sickness from contaminated water

Water contamination is the term used to describe hazardous materials of any kind that are polluting a source of water. The [water source](http://www.wisegeek.com/what-are-the-different-types-of-water-source.htm) may be ponds, lakes, seas, oceans, or reservoirs used for drinking and bathing by humans. The most common types of water contamination are chemical runoff from homes and businesses and sometimes human or animal waste materials.

People who drank contaminated water can become sick, and can pass the sickness to others.

Listed below are some of the ways by which the sick person can transmit the germs to others.

When the sick person coughs openly into the air, contaminated water droplets are discharged. People who happen to pass by the person may inhale the droplets through their nasal passage into their lungs, and into their blood stream. Soon the germs multiply in the body and make the person sick.

When a contaminated person uses the toilet and didn’t wash hands, the germs may be left on the door knob. Germs are passed when people lay their hands on the door knob.

Germs can also be passed through sharing food during meals. When the contaminated person scoops with his spoon he leaves saliva on the food. The next person who scoops the food with the saliva in it will get the germs.

At home, some of the ways to prevent drinking contaminated water are by using water filter or by boiling the water to kill the germs.

Outside the house, as responsible people, we should not throw garbage or spill chemicals into any water source. If we walk our dog we should clean after their waste. This is the least we can do for after all, we need clean drinking water to stay healthy.